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INFO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMCONSUL DURBAN

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

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CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

BRUSSELS FOR USEC

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SUBJECT: CHANGES IN SOUTH AFRICAN TRADE PERSONNEL

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. FINANCIAL MAIL JANUARY 9 REPORTS THAT LUBBE, SA ECON MINISTER IN WASHINGTON, BEING TRANSFERRED TO SA DEPT OF COMMERCE CAPE TOWN OFFICE. LUBBE TO BE REPLACED IN WASHINGTON BY JAN VAN ROOYEN, NOW ECON MINISTER TO EC IN BRUSSELS. BRUSSELS SLOT TO GO TO PAUL THERON, NOW IN GENEVA. G.M.L. ("MIKE") LOWRY, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NOW AT DEPT OF COMMERCE IN PRETORIA , TO FILL THE GENEVA SLOT.

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2. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. LOWRY CONFIRMS STORY CORRECT. HE IS LEAVING FOR GENEVA LATE FEBRUARY.

3. LOWRY IS PLEASANT, FRIENDLY, SOFT-SPOKEN ENGLISH SPEAKER IN A BUREAUCRACY FILLED WITH AFRIKAANERS WHO SPEAK ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE. HE IS VERY CAUTIOUS AND FOLLOWS INSTRUCTIONS CLOSELY BUT WE HAVE FOUND HIM MOST COOPERATIVE AND HELPFUL WITHIN HIS POLICY LIMITATIONS. HE IS UNLIKELY TO RECOMMEND ANY SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN PRETORIA'S LOW-KEY, LOW-PROFILE APPROACH TO GATT AND MTN. LOWRY HAS BEEN ON SA DELEGATIONS IN GENEVA FOR BRIEF PERIODS BUT HAS NOT BEEN STATIONED THERE BEFORE. HE HAS BEEN A "GATTOLIGIST" FOR MANY YEARS. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. BOWDLER

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